

CHETWYND ASTON AND WOODCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING – Chetwynd Aston & Woodcote Parish Council held on 19th January 2022 at 8 pm at Church & Chetwynd Aston Village Hall.

PRESENT: Cllrs Harper (Chairman), Hardy, Jakhu, Page

IN ATTENDANCE: Cllr Eade (Ward member), 1 member of the public

21/22.25 APOLOGIES AND DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Apologies were noted from Cllrs Kinnish and Mattison and Parish Clerk, Connor Furnval

There were no non-pecuniary or pecuniary declarations of interest in matters relating to the business to be conducted on the agenda.

21/22.26 PUBLIC SESSION

Mr Will Askin, member of the public present, raised concerns that tonight's agenda had not been posted on the 2 parish notice boards and that no Minutes had been posted on the website since July 2021. Parish Clerk to investigate.

21/22.27 MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 17TH NOVEMBER 2021

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17th November 2021 were unanimously agreed.

21/22.28 MATTERS ARISING, FOR INFORMATION, FROM THE 17TH NOVEMBER 2021 MINUTES NOT OTHERWISE ON THE AGENDA

Further information and an update was sought from The Clerk regarding Bloor Homes offer for Pave Lane – this topic was also discussed later under Agenda Item 10.2

21/22.29 CO-OPTION OF VACANT SEAT

Cllr Hardy reported that he had received an oral enquiry from Mr Will Askin who was present at the meeting. Clerk was requested to write to Mr Askin explaining the procedure.

21/22.30 REPORTS FROM TELFORD AND WREKIN

Cllr Eade reported that he will apply for a grant for £633.89 to donate and install the litter bin outside Norwood House in Pave Lane. After discussion regarding the costs of emptying the bin it was agreed that CA&W Parish Councillors would operate a rota system whereby they would voluntarily empty the bin for one year. At the end of the year the rota system would be reviewed.

Cllr Eade reported that he would donate £450 towards the cost of the SIDS. Cllrs present thanked him for this donation.

21/22.31 REPORTS FROM PARISH COUNCILLORS

Cllr Page reported that the SALC Wrekin Area Committee's January Meeting had been cancelled as there were no agenda items to discuss.

Cllr Page reported on the C&CAVH: Flicks in the Sticks January film would be postponed due to ongoing Covid. C&CAVH would be used as a venue for the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations on Sunday 5th June 2022 from 10.30 am to 5 pm. A variety of events were planned to take place both inside and outside the hall. Church Aston Parish Council (CAPC) would also be planting 7 trees in the children's play park and renaming this facility as the Queen's Park. CAPC had budgeted £750 for the event but would be applying to T & W for a grant up to a maximum of £2,000 and would be interested in working with CA&WPC on this event. Cllrs agreed that they wished to work with CAPC on this event and requested the Clerk to liaise with CAPC Clerk.

21/22.32 FINANCIAL REPORTS

8.1 To approve the reconciliation of banking statements - The Council unanimously approved the Bank Reconciliation and Cllrs Harper and Hardy signed said document. However Clerk requested to check and confirm that the following payments have been received:

Payment of £800 from NRS for 2021 for their contribution towards the Planters Project
Cllr Eade's donation of £830 for a 5th planter

8.2 To approve the list of payments – The payments made since the last meeting and payments still to be made were authorised and Cllrs Harper and Hardy signed the Payments Report.

8.3 To review and approve the precept and budget for 2022-23 financial year - The Council reviewed the budget report and asked for an explanation of the income of £1,000 described as an anticipated grant from T & W. Clerk to report back.

The Council also asked why the anticipated contribution of £10,000 from Bloor Homes was not listed. Clerk to report back

Using information provided in the Budget Report regarding Receipts and Payments, discussion took place regarding the proposed precept for 2022/23. It was unanimously RESOLVED that there would be no increase in the precept for 2022/23 as households were experiencing cost of living increases in many other areas of their household budgets.

21/22.33 CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Boundary Review – Cllr Eade reported that the final set of Draft Proposals were out for consultation.

9.2 Community Speedwatch Scheme – An email had been received from local police regarding the Community Speedwatch scheme and the requirement for six named volunteers if CA&WPC wanted to proceed with this. Cllr Harper had identified 3 willing volunteers but a further 3 would be needed. It was proposed that a message should be put on Facebook explaining the scheme and asking for volunteers. Clerk to action and also to respond to email that CA&WPC wish to engage with this scheme.

21/22.34 PLANNING

10.1 To consider any applications and to note those refused/approved since last meeting –

Planning Application TWC/2022/0030 – Coach House, Woodcote, Newport, Shropshire – repointing and replacement of spalled and damaged bricks to all exterior elevations where necessary. Council proposed 'No Comment' on this application.

10.2 To receive any updates relevant to the Station Road Housing proposals

Cllr Eade reported that the proposed meeting with the new Highways Engineer to consider proposed road safety schemes and their costs would be arranged. This information could inform future discussions with Bloor Homes.

Cllr Eade also reported that the T & W Planning Committee would be considering the Bloor Homes development at their meeting on Wednesday 26th January at 6 pm at The Telford International Centre. Council agreed that a Council member would register to attend this meeting. The representation from the CA&WPC would be that the development would increase the speed and volume of traffic along Pave Lane. Clerk to register CA&W parish councillor to attend and speak at this meeting.

21/22.35 PAVE LANE WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS AND ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATIONS

It was confirmed that the tree obscuring the weight limit sign on Station Road had not been cut back. Cllr Eade reported that he was arranging a meeting with Highways and he would raise this issue.

Cllr Harper reported that Banks's Tractors and Hill Coaches were still using Pave Lane despite the weight limit signs being in place. It was also noted that some independent lorry drivers collecting from Woodcote Quarry were also using Pave Lane.

21/22.36 PLANTING SCHEMES

Cllr Page reported that the winter bedding provided by Bloomsbury Nursery had been planted by Needes Landscaping and was looking good. Also reported that Needes Landscaping would collect and install the new planter – planter No 5 – and he had been asked to provide a quotation for same. Clerk was awaiting written permission from Highways and would then order the planter.

Clerk had informed Council that a meeting was being sought with CAPC clerk to discuss collaboration between CAPC, CA&WPC and Lilleshall PC so that plants and watering costs could be kept as low as possible.

21/22.37 SPEED INDICATION DEVICES (SIDS) SCHEME

Clerk reported that the SIDs conversion had been completed and Morelocks were booking a date in their diary for the installation. Clerk was arranging a meeting on site with Highways to get the necessary permission but he does not envisage any problem.

21/22.38 ARMED FORCES COVENANT

Clerk provided information on the covenant which is a statement of an organisation's commitment to respect those who have served and serve, regular or reserve and to welcome them into their community. It was unanimously agreed that the Council would sign the covenant and asked the Clerk to make the necessary arrangements.

21/22.39 CONDITION OF WOODCOTE CHURCH

Cllr Harper expressed concern about the condition of St Peter's Church, Woodcote including the damage to the windows. CA&WPC agreed they wish to protect the longevity of this building. Clerk requested to write to T & W Heritage Officer asking him to visit the site and report back to the council on how this local listed building landmark can be protected within the Listed Building regulations.

Meeting closed at 9.35 pm

These minutes are to be considered as a draft form until signed at the next appropriate meeting, the signed copy will be retained by the Parish Council.

Signed: Dated:/...../.....